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**IMPORTANT NOTICE (Last Notice)!** Users of the online BARF-80 BBS (Home of the OPDX Bulletin) take note, the area code has now changed permanently to 440 as of April 4th. BARF-80 BBS online is now at 440-237-8208.

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**3D2/R, ROTUMA ISLAND.** Looks like Karel/OK1CF and Milan/OK1DWC members of the OK DX Foundation will be active from here for **one week starting April 4th**. Using the call signs **3D2CB/R** and **3D2WC/R**, look for CW/SSB activity on 160-10 meters, including the WARC bands. QSL via OKDXF. It was reported that the rest of the OKDXF Team will be heading back to OK-land.

**5R, MADAGASCAR.** John, SM0DJZ, QSL Manager for Ake, SM7CIP, reports that Ake is active in Madagascar and is now using the new call sign **5R8FU**. Ake can sometimes be found on the WARC bands (24899 and 18072 kHz) or on 15 meters (21010 kHz) CW. His activity seem to be centered around 1500-1800z. John states that Ake activity is "a low profile all band operation. He will probably stay in 5R8 for a long time." John has just received Ake's logs for February and March, and he has managed to work over 600 QSOs, mostly on CW and on higher frequencies. Ake has some wire/GP antennas and an antenna for 160 meters but only has a 100 watt station. Plans are in the works for him to have a linear amp running along with directional antennas. QSLs for Ake are still under the printing stage and John will make an announcement when they are ready to go out in the mail. So PLEASE be patient. Ake also held the former call signs YA1AR and T5AR. John still has the logs for YA1AR/T5AR ("They will NEVER be closed!!!"). QSL requests are welcome via the bureau or direct at: SM0DJZ, Jan "John" Hallenberg, Siriusgatan 106, SE-195 55 Mersta, Sweden.

**5V, TOGO.** Look for Marc, F5CPU, to be active as **5V7BM**. His activity will last **until the end of 1999**. No other details or QSL information was given.

**9M8, EASTERN MALAYSIA.** Peter, PB0ALB, should be active by the end of the week (**April 10**) from **Serian**, 50 miles Kuching, Sarawak. No details were available on his

operations, but he will be there **until May 22nd**. QSL via homecall.

**A3, TONGA (Update)**. Paul, **A35RK**, reports that he has now installed a vertical antenna for 80/40/30 meters. He will be active on 80 and 30 meters CW, but on 40 meters he will be active mainly on CW with some SSB operations. He is on IOTA **OC-169 (Ha'apai Group)**. QSL **ONLY** (repeat **only**) to W7TSQ.

**A3, TONGA**. Ed, K8VIR, who was active from Chatham Island, will be active once again, this time as **A35VI**. Activity should happen soon and last **until May**. No QSNs have been reported yet, but keep listening to 14260 and 21300 kHz for his activity. QSL via Ed Hartz, Box 480, Green Valley, AZ 85622, USA.

**CE0, SAN FELIX ISLAND**. The "DX News Letter" reports that John, CE0ZAM, will activate **XQ0X** on CW/SSB on all bands for about **20 days in April or May**.

**EA8, CANARY ISLANDS**. Look this week for Ron, G4DIY, to sign **EA8/G4DIY** from here. Activity will last **until April 11th**. He will be active mostly on CW and on 20, 17 and 12 meters. QSL via homecall.

**H40, TEMOTU ISLANDS**. The **H40AA** team continues to stick to their plan of being very active on 15 and 20 meters. There has been some reported QSNs of 40/17/10 meters activities. The OPDX InterNet Subscriber will receive an additional bulletin that contains the latest press release by OH2BN (QSL Manager for H40AA). Meanwhile, Jim, VK9NS, continues to be active as **H40AB** for the next 2 weeks despite some technical difficulties. It has been reported that Jim is having some power supply problems. He has been forced to use solar cells during the day and a battery at other times. By the time you read this, he may have the problem fixed. Jim has been very active during the past weekend on the WARC bands. QSL via

**HK0, MALPELO ISLANDS**. Pedro, HK3JJH, is currently active from here as **HK3JJH/0M** after obtaining approval of the Colombian Navy. This will be a very short operation lasting **until April 6th or 7th**. He will be active mainly SSB on 14260 kHz. QSL direct **ONLY** via his home callsign: Pedro Allina, P.O. Box 81119, Bogota D.C., Columbia S.A.

#### **IOTA NEWS.....**

- Mauro, I1JQJ, 425 DX News Editor, reports that a new IOTA Reference Number, **AS-133**, has been issued as a result of the recent operation by **XUX0**, to Cambodia's **Gulf of Thailand group**.
- David, ON4BDS, was active this past weekend from **Holmon Island (EU-135**, located in the Gulf of Bothnia, off the coast of Umea, Sweden) signing **SM2/ON4BDS/P**. He states that he will be active from the following islands:

Reference Number	Island	Dates
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EU-101	OH6 Vaasa	April till June 98
EU-105 (France)	Batz	July 98
EU-107 (France)	Les Sept Iles	July 98
EU-157 (France)	Cezembre	July 98
EU-156 (France)	Tombelaine	June 98
DIFM (France)	Mnt St Michel	June 98

**MORE NEW COUNTRIES (OOOPPPSS! I mean "ENTITIES"!)**. Paul, F6EXV, reports that on April 1st (1998), he filed a petition on behalf of the "Clipperton DX Club" for the addition of two new counters to the DXCC list, namely the "**Marquesas Islands** and the **Austral Islands**". Pauls states the following:

"Under the new definitions of what constitutes a 'political entity', namely IARU membership, French Polynesia is clearly a 'point 1 country'. Furthermore, any island of the Marquesas group is situated more than 350 km way from any other island of the parent country. Any island of the Australs is situated more than 350 km away from any other island of the parent country, and more than 800 km away from any island of the Marquesas. The submission asks for addition to the list as of June 2nd 1983, date when the CORA, representing French Polynesia, joined the International Amateur Radio Union (IARU)."

SIDED NOTE: The DXAC voted against the addition on these islands before because they felt that the French Poynesia is not considered to be a "PARENT" country and that France is the parent country..... Stay tuned! Also, the Marquesas Islands have a WEB site available at: <http://www.geocities.com/TheTropics/4269>

**P4, ARUBA**. Martin, VE3MR, who is active as **P49M**, has been very busy on 12 meters (around 24940 +/- 10 kHz) between 1400 and 1800z. Also, check 10 amd 17 meters around the same time. His operations should last until April 22. QSL via VE3MR.

#### **QSL INFO AND NEWS.....**

- Tom, N9NC (now HA/N9NC), reports that the QSL cards, for his **3A/N9NC** for his **February 13-15th** (1998) operation, are expected to be received from the printer by April 10th. Tom states he made about 2300 QSOs, including roughly 400 each on 80 and 160 meters, and 200 RTTY QSOs. Please QSL to: Juraj Sipos, OM2SA, 930 13 Trhova Hradska 550, okr. Dunajska Streda, Republic of SLOVAKIA. Please note that N9NC is now a resident in Budapest, so it is better not to send cards to the call book address of N9NC, nor the USA W9 QSL bureau; such requests will eventually be answered but may experience a delay.
- QSLs for **SP9XWD**, which was active in the **SP DX Contest** on **April 4-5th**, can be QSLed via the bureau or direct to: Marcel Krzan, os.Dywizjonu 303 10/52, 31-871 Krakow, POLAND.
- **9H0VRZ QSLs**. The cards for this special station, which was on the air during the 10th DXpedition of the Dutch Amateur Radio Society VRZA in June/July 1997, are back from the printer. QSL Manager PA0JR reports that all direct cards were mailed, and the other cards were sent out via the Dutch QSL Bureau last weekend. For more QSL info on 9H0VRZ and other participating 9H3 calls, check out the following WEB site: <http://www.vrza.org/malta.htm>
- The color QSLs will be available for HB9CYN (Martin) and HB9CYV (Chris) DXpedition to D6 (callsign **D68YN** and **D68YV**) which took place **January 26th and Febraury 7th**. Martin reports to OPDX that the cards will be printed and sent during April, 1998. They have already received almost 1000 direct QSLs. So, please be patient for some additional 3-4 weeks. QSL via the bureau is perferred. QSL D68YN via HB9CYN and D68YV via HB9CYV. Direct QSLs: Oversea mail - 2 U.S. greens are

needed for Air Mail or 1 IRC + SAE. Europe: 1 U.S. green stamp or 1IRC + SAE. Also, QSL requests (via bureau) may be sent to the E-mail addresses mentioned on the WWW-site below. The logs, a preview of the QSL, pictures, statistics and QSL addresses can be found on the following Web-Page: <http://ab5eh-lin.tamucc.edu/~hb9cyn>

**RESULTS of The DX Magazine's "1997 Most Wanted Countries"** can be found at the following WEB site (English): <http://www.qsl.net/cwsp/dxcce100.htm> For the Spanish version, drop the "e" in "dxcce100". The top five countries (ENTITIES) are: P5, BV9P, A5, BS7 and VU4/A.

**SU8, EGYPT (Special Event Update).** [Please refer to OPDX.350] Hossam, SU1HM, Egyptian Radio Amateur Assembly (ERAA) Network Manager, now announces that a special award will be issued for any station that made a QSO with **SU8LXR + SU0ERA** + any other 4 "SU" stations. Special event station took place between **March 29st and April 4th**.

**SV, GREECE.** Look for Berkin, TA3J, and his XYL Nilay, TA3YJ, to be active from here **until April 12th**, as **SV/TA3J** and **SV/TA3YJ**. Their SSB activity will be on 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, 10, 2 meters and 70cm. QSL via home calls, bureau or direct to the following addresses:

- **TA3YJ** - Nilay Mine Aydogmus, P.O. Box 876, 35214 Izmir - Turkey
- **TA3J** - Berkin Aydogmus, PO. Box 987, 35214 Izmir - Turkey

**TXK8, NEW CALEDONIA (Update).** "The 59(9) DXReport" states that the planned operation, **TXK8DX** by FK8GM and friends, was cancelled due to the illness of an operator and typhoon activity in the area.

**VQ9, CHAGOS ISLANDS.** Chuck, KB0QKK, has been active as **VQ9KK** from **Diego Garcia**. His activity has been mainly on 15 and 10 meters SSB at various times and frequencies. The length of his stay is not known. QSL to his home call.

**SPECIAL NOTE FROM THE EDITOR.** Please send all DX announcements/information **"ONLY"** to the addresses below and **"NOT"** to the distribution InterNet address of: [dxinfo@barf80.nshore.org](mailto:dxinfo@barf80.nshore.org)

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single "BEEPS" every second will not have to do this step.) 3) The phone will pick up and after the "BEEP" leave your voice message or FAX.

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